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- 1.(C) Summary: Libyan Leader Muammar al-Qadhafi brought hundreds of companions and his trademark sensational fanfare with him on his first trip
- 2.(C) Just returned from his accompanying the Libyan delegation of Colonel Qadhafi to Rome (June 10-13), Italian Ambassador Francesco Trupiano
- 3.(C) Qadhafi's core delegation consisted of National Security Adviser (and son) Muatassim, Qadhafi, cousin and envoy on Egyptian affairs Color
- 4.(C) As expected, Qadhafi managed to provoke controversy from the start. His emerging from his aircraft, his uniform adorned with the picture
- 5.(C/NF) In a subsequent discussion with the Ambassador, Trupiano said that PM Berlusconi suffered acute back pain the day of the visit and had
- 6.(C) In addition to the Omar al-Mukhtar picture, Qadhafi violated protocol standards by immediately introducing to Berlusconi all of the indiv
- 7.(C) During his meeting with President Giorgio Napolitano, Qadhafi reportedly focused on African issues, noting that with respect to Eritrea a
- 8.(C) Qadhafi and PM Berlusconi, according to Trupiano, discussed the migration problem, with Qadhafi asserting that there were in fact no real
- 9.(C) Among the agreements signed between the two sides were one on avoiding double taxation, an economic/scientific/technical agreement on mar
- 10.(C) Trupiano asserted that the Italians were extremely embarrassed by Qadhafi's remarks, and especially angered by those seemingly equating
- 11.(C) Comment: The Italians are obviously relieved that the visit, which left Romans extremely angry at the Libyans and the government for the